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Council duties are to advise the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services on issues related to problems for persons who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, to identify and secure available resources and to provide recommendations for efforts and policy initiatives in carrying out programs to meet the needs of the homeless. There are 29 council members, each serving a three-year term. The governor appoints all members.

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